Provisions) Act, 1981 and to make special provisions by way of amendment to the Essential Commodities Act, 1955."

The Motion was adopted.

[Translation]

SHRI RAGHUVANS PRASAD SINGH: Mr. Chairman, Sir, I introduce * the Bill.

I would also like to draw the attention of the House to the clause 3 of this Bill, under which the expenditure will be incurred from the Consolidated Fund of India. Under Article 117(3) of the Constitution, the President of India has recommended that the Bill may be introduced.

[English]

MR. CHAIRMAN: I shall call you. Have you given a notice? If you have given a notice, I shall call you.

[Translation]

SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT (AGRA): Mr. Chairman, Sir, I have given a notice about the Amarnath Yatra..... *(Interruptions)*

SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY (GIRIDIH): Hon'ble Chairman Sir, through you I would like to draw the attention of the Government to the matter of urgent public importance i.e., pollution in the river Damodar.

Central Coalfields Ltd. is dumping huge quantity of waste into the Damodar river. Rejected coal of the washery is also being dumped into Damodar which is further contaminating the river water. If rejected coal is sold through unemployed persons, it will not only generate employment...*(Interruptions)* but will also enhance the revenue. At the same time Jughat Power Plant Station will also be benefited by the sale of this coal.

[English]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Shri Bajuban Riyan, I will call you though I have not seen any notice here.

[Translation]

SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY: Arrangements should be made to dump waste elsewhere. It should not be dumped into the river. Reply given to the starred question No. 953 dated 29th July by the Minister for Environment and Forest is absolutely incorrect. Therefore, i request the Government to form a high level Committee and we should be invited to cite the evidence.

SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH (VIDISHA): Mr. Chairman Sir, after independence we established the PSUs for ourselves. Our first Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru used to say that PSUs are the shrines of modern times. But today these shrines are becoming worse. After the implementation of Liberalisation Policy, industries which were making Large profits during the last three years are now suffering heavy losses. The condition is so worst today that the many industries are facing crisis. All major industries of the Public Sector are running under heavy losses. Public sector industries like Heavy Engineering Corporation, Hindustan Machines & Tools, Tyre and Bicycle Corporation of India, Hindustan Cables, Bharat Wagon and Engineering, Nefa Limited, and Bridge and Roof Limited etc. are running under the loss of over Rupees two thousand nine hundred and seventy five crores. Over two lac workmen and government employees are employed in these industries. In our Nefa Ltd. which was founded by Pandit Nehru, employees haven't been paid for the three months. Government doesn't seem to have any intention nor any plan to set things right in Public Sector industries. We MPs from Madhya Pradesh met the Prime Minister yesterday but there was no sign of hope.

Reduction in custom duty as a result of Liberalisation Policy lead to import of foreign goods in the country at lower rates. Foreign companies have entered freely. But no arrangements were made for our Public Sector industries to prepare for the circumstances arising out of it. We have constituted B.I.F.R. for the sick industries, to which their cases are referred but no decision are taken there. At present these industries are on the verge of closure.

I would like to request the Government to announce a policy to ensure payment to workers & employees of the PSU's to whom salaries have not been paid for the last three or four months, their children are on the verge of starvation. Hence to take the House into confidence Government should announce some policy for the Public Sector Industries. Till the policy is formulated, the Government should at least grant interim relief to those industries so that they can pay salaries to their employees; and Government should come out with a statement about the condition of Public sector industries..*(Interruptions)*

[English]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Again I am saying that I am going by the List.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA (BANKURA): This is very important. The public sector undertaking has fallen sick. The workers are not getting their salaries.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I am going by the List.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA: I know. But this is very important.

MR. CHAIRMAN: It is noted that you have supported it. Shri Vishambar Prasad Nishad will now speak.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA: The hon. Minister of State for Finance is here. He should assure the House. The workers of public sector undertaking are not getting their statutory dues.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The hon. Minister has taken note of it.

* Introduced with the recommendations of the President.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA: The workers are not getting their wages. They are not getting their statutory dues. They are not getting their provident fund.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The hon. Minister has already raised the question. He has taken note of it. You have also associated yourself with it and the hon. Minister said that he had taken note of it and that he would make a statement subsequently.

(Interruptions)

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA: The hon. Minister is here.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Does the hon. Minister want to make a statement now?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): No. *(Interruptions)*

MR. CHAIRMAN : Please understand.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA : The hon. Minister Is standing there.....*(Interruptions)*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please take your seat.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA: The Finance Minister is here. He gave an assurance that the statutory dues of the workers would be paid. But the workers are not getting the salary. Since the Finance Minister is here, he should respond.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Shri Basu Deb Acharia, you know the procedure. If the Minister wants to respond, he can respond.

(Interruptions)

COL. RAO RAM SINGH (MAHENDERGARH): Those Members who shout, they only get the time and those who raise their hands do not get a chance to speak. Those Members who keep on shouting, they only get a chance. Everybody has got important points to make.....*(Interruptions)*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please tell me how to proceed. This is a list which has been given by the Speaker's Office to me. Please understand it.

[Translation]

SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD (FATEH-PUR): Mr. Chairman, Sir, there is a colony of Dalits in Ward No. 382 in Bara Hindurao in my district where thousands of Dalits are living....*(Interruptions)*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please listen.

(Interruptions)

[English]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please help me. As I said earlier, this is the list which has been given to me by the Office of the Speaker. Naturally, as the Panel Chairman, I have to go by the instructions of the Speaker. What I am doing is, I am allowing you. What I am doing is that I am going by the list. But if some very important leader wants that he should be given the chance first in supersession of some other important Members of the House or some other hon. Members of this House, I think it is not fair. Therefore, I shall go by the list as prepared by the Speaker's Office. I shall call you one by one.

Now, Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad to speak.

(Interruptions)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Again, you are raising it. Nobody is protesting it.

(Interruptions)

[Translation]

SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Sir, there is a colony of Dalits in Ward No. 382 in village Bara Hindu Rao of Old Delhi where thousands of Dalits live .....*Interruptions)*

[English]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad to speak. No other statement should go on record.

*(Interruptions)**

[Translation]

SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Sir, at Bara Hindu Rao in Old Delhi area thousands of Dalits are settled at Khasra No. 382 and. .....*(Interruptions)* this settlement of Dalits has been there since the British Rule. Side by this colony, there is a Company named D.C.M. at Khasra No. 506 and 507. The said Company having encroached this Land has handed it over to Kailashnath Builders and Ansal Builders in order to construct a commercial complex. The poor people are being forced to evacuate the said place of land and they are being beaten up and harrased. And the female members of their families are being insulted. I would like to mention that the said piece of land is registered as inhabited by urban population. In the revenue record, consolidation No. 191 and Khatoni No. 235 in Tehsil and District Delhi. But these Kailashnath Builders and Ansal Builders are forcing the Dalits to evacuate the said land in collusion with the officials of D.D.A. and M.C.D. The Dalits, who have been settled there since the British Rule are being suppressed. The builders were constructing a commercial complex on an unothorised land without any map having been sanctioned. The same has been stopped. An amount of crores of Rupees is outstanding. That should be inquired by C.B.I. The land where the Dalits are settled and which is Government land costs hundred crores of rupees and it is going to be a scam. I would like to make a request that poor people should not be harrased and this matter should be looked into and legal action should be taken against D.C.M. and Kailash Builders and Ansal Builders.

SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT: Mr. Chairman Sir,

*Not Recorded.